(e) The foreign exchange earned by tourism industry of India from these tourist is as under (Rs. in crores):-

1999	2000	2001
12951.00	14238.00	14006.45

Fake Tourist Guides

3775. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any measures to discourage and punish fake guides who cheat foreign tourists and spoil the name of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of cases registered against fake guides during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) and (b) To discourage fake guides who cheat foreign tourists the Government of India, Department of Tourism has laid down guidelines for the selection and training of guides. On successful completion of training these guides are given a licence. The Government of India, Department of Tourism has also addressed all the State Governments/U.Ts to introduce a suitable legislation and to deploy a special tourist assistance force which could assist tourists and provide security to them. Further, the Department of Tourism, Government of India has also set up a Complaint Cell to receive complaints from the tourists and redressal of the complaints is regularly monitored.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No specific complaints have been recently received by this Department against fake guides.

Celebration of birth anniversary of Lord Mahavir

3776. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had constituted any Committee to celebrate the 2600th birth anniversary of Lord Mahavir;

(b) if so, the details of the Committee;

(c) the amount sanctioned to celebrate the same; and

(d) the details of the expenditure incurred till date in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government have constituted a National Committee under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and an Implementation Committee under the Chairmanship of Minister of Tourism and Culture to celebrate 2600th Janma Kalyanak of Bhagwan Mahavir.

(c) and (d) An amount of Rs. 45.00 crores was provided by the Government of India during 2001-2002 for celebrating the event. Till now sanctions have been issued for the following:—

1. Rs. 493 lakhs for developmental works at Bhagwan Mahavir Vanasthali in New Delhi.
2. Rs. 947 lakhs for conservation of centrally protected Jain Monuments.
3. Rs. 1816.92 lakhs for developmental works in and around Jain Monuments.
4. Rs. SO lakhs for development of two earthquake ravaged villages in Bhuj District of Gujarat.